REV. DR. TALMAGE.

The Eminent Brooklyn Divine's Suaday Sermon.

Subject: "Martyrs of the Needle."

TEXT "It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle,"—Matthew xix., 24.

Whether this 'eve of the needle" be the small gate at the side of the big gate at the entrance of the wall of the ancient city, as is generally interpretal, or the eye of a needle such as is now han ile i in sewing a garment I do not say. In either case it would be a tight thing for a camel to go through the eye of a needle. But there are whole caravans of fatigues and hardships going through the eye of the sewing woman's needle.

Very long ago the needle was busy. It was considered honorable for women to toll in olden time. Alexander the Great stood in his palace allowing garments made by his own mother. The finest tapestries at Bayeux were made by the Quien of William the Con-queror. Augustus, the Emiser, would not wear any garments except those that were lashioned by some member of his royal So let the toller everywhere be re-

The greatest blessing that could have happened to our first parents was being turned out of E ien after they had done wrong. Adam and Eve, in their perfect state, might have got along without work or only such nave got along without work or only so a slight employment as a perfect garlien, with no weeds in it, demandel. But as soon as they had sinned the best thing for them was to be turned out where they would have to ork. We know what a withering thing it for a man to have nothing to do. Good old Ashbel Green, at four score years, when asked why he kept on working, said, "I do so to keep out of mischief." We see that a man who has a large amount of money to start with has no chance. Of the thousand prosperous and honorable men that you know, 999 had to work vigorously at the beginning.

But I am now to tell you that in justry is just as important for a woman's safety and honorables. The most unlarger women in

happiness. The most unhappy women in our communities to-day are those who have no engagements to call them up in the morning; who, once having risen and breakfastel, lounge through the dull forenoon in slippers down at the heel and with disheveled hair, down at the need and with disnevered hair, reading the last novel, and who, having dragged through a wretched foreneon and taken their alternoon sleep, and having spent an hour and a half at their tollet, rick spent an hour and a half at their tollet, fick up their cardease and go out to make calls, and who pass their evenings waiting for somebody to come it an i break up the monotony. Arabella Suart never was imprisoned in so dark a dungeon as that.

There is no happiness in an idle woman It may be with hand, it may be with brain, it may be with foot, but work she must or be wretched forever. The little girls of out families must be started with that idea. The

families must be started with that idea. The curse of our American society is that our young women are taught that the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, tenth, flitleth, thousandth thing in their life is to get somebody to take care of them. In-stead of that the first lesson should be how, stead of that the first resson should be flow, under God, they may take care of themselves. The simple fact is that a majority of them do have to take care of themselves, and that, too, after having, through the false notions of their parents, wasted the years in which they ought to have learned how successfully themselves. We now and have to maintain themselves. We now and here declare the inhumanity, crushy and outrage of that father and mother who pass their daughters into womanhood, having given them no facility for earning their livelihood. Mme. de Stael said, "It is not these writings that I am proud of, but tue fact that I have facility in ten occupations, in any one of which I could make a livelihood."

You say you have a fortune to leave them.
O man and woman, have you not learned that, like vultures, like hawks, like eagles, riches have wings and fly away? Though you should be successful in leaving a competency behind you, the trickery of execu-tors may swamp it in a night, or some elders or deacons of one churches may get up a fetifious company and in luce your orphans to put their money into it, and if it he lost prove to them that it was eternally decreal that that was the way they were to lose it. and that it went in the most ortholox and

Oh, the damnable schemes that professel Oristians will engage in -- antil Golpats His fingers into the collar of the hypocrite's robe and rips it clear down the bottom! You bave no right, because you are well off, to conclude that your children are going to be as well off. A man died, leaving a large oriune. Hisson fell dead in a Philadelphia progshop of His old comrades came in said as they bent over his corpse, "What is the matter with you, Boggsey?" The surgeon standing over himsaid: "Hush up! He's dead!" "Ah, he is deal!" they said.

He's dend!" "Ah, he is denl!" they said.
"Come, boys, let us go and take a drink in memory of poor Bozgsey!"

Have you nothing better than money to leave your children? If you have not, but send your daughters into the world with empty brain and unskilled hand, you are guity of assassinasion, homicide, regleide, infanticide. There are women tolling in our cities for \$3 and \$4 per week who were the daughters of merchant princes. These suffering ones now would be gial to have the crumbs that once fell from their fathers' table. That wornout, broken show that she wears is the inval descendant of the \$12 gaters in which her mother walked, and that torn and faded calloo had an-cestry of magnificent brocade that swept Broadway slean without any expense to the street commissioners. ugh you live in an elegant residence an I Though you live in an elegant residence and fare sumptuously every day, let your daughters feel it is a disacree to tuen not to know how to work. I denounce the idea, prevalent in society, that, though our young women may embroider stippers and crowled and make mais for lamps to stand on without disgrace, the idea of doing anything for a livelihood is disconorable. It is a strange for a young woman, belonging to a large family, to be inefficient when the fathertoils his life away for her support. It is a shams for a daughter to be idle white her mother to is at the washinb. It is as honorable to sweep house, make bels or trim hats as it is to twist a watch chain.

As far as I can understand, the line of respectfulling in house, as the washinburger to be a support to the same transfer to the same transfer

spectability ites between that which is useful and that which is useless. If women do that which is of no value, their work is honorable. If they do practical work, it is disconorable. That our young women may escape the censure of doing dishonorable work I shall particularize. You may knut a tidy for the back of an armchair, but by no means make the money wherewith to have the chair spectability lies between that which is useful make the money wherewith to buy the chair. You may, with delicate brush, beautify a You may, with delicate brush, beautify a mantel ornament, but die rather than earn enough to buy a marble mantel. You may learn artistic music until you can squali Italian, but never sing "Orionville" or "Oil Hundred." Do nothing practical it you would in the eyes of reflue I society preserve your respectability. I scoat these finical notions. Itell you no womin, any more than man, has a right to occupy a place in this world unless she pays a rent for it.

In the course of a lifetime you consume whole harvests and drops of cattle, and every day you live breathe forty hogsheads of gool ours air. You must by some kind of usefulearn artistic music until you can squal

day you live broathe forty hogsheads of good pure air. You must by some kind of usefulness pay for all this. Our race was the last thing created—the birds and fisher on the forth day, the cattle and lizards on the fifth day and man on the sixth day. If good ogists are right, the earth was a million of years in the possession of the insects, be.sts and birds before our race came man. and birds before our race came upon it. the lizards and the hawks had pre-emption right. The question is not what we are to do with the lizar is and summer insects, but what the lizards and summer insects are to

If we want a place in this world, we must earn it. The puriri ige makes its own nest before it occupies it. The lark by its morn ing song earns its breakfast before it eats it. The giolegic san intentation that the first duty of an iCler is to starve when it says if will not work neither shall he eat." Idleness ruins the health, and very soon nature says: "The man has refused to pay his rent. Out with him?"

Society is to be reconstructed on the sub-fect of woman's toll. A vast majority of those ho would have woman in lustrious shut he up to a few kin is of work. My juligment in this matter is that a woman has a right to do anything she can do well. There should be no department of merchandise, machan There should be no department of merchandise, mechanism, art or science barred against her. It is may be a supply very small.

Start with the idea that work is honorable and thing better than aryone else. Resolve that, Got helping, give than aryone else. Resolve that, Got helping, you will take care of yourself. If you are after a waite called into another relation, and a are after a waite called into another relation, you will all the better be qualified for it by your spirit of self-reliance or if you are

nence the Quaker meeting house. It is said that if a woman is given such on be taken by men. I say if she have more skill and adaptedness for any position than a man has let her baye it. She has as much sight to her heave it. She has as much sight to her heave it. right to her bread, to her apparel and to her home as men have. But it is said that her nature is so delicate

But it is said that her nature is so detends that she is unfitted for exhausting toil. I ask in the name of all past history what toil on earth is more severe, exhausting and tre-mendous than that toil of the needle to which for ages she has been subjected? The battering ram, the sword, the carbine, the battleax, have made no such havoc as the needle. I would that these living sepulaires in which women have for ages been buried might be opened, and that some resurrection in the same resurrection. trumpet might bring up these living corpses

trumpet might bring up these living corpses to the fresh air and smalight.

Go with me, and I will show you a wo man who by hardest toll supports her children, her drunken husband, her old father and mother, pays her house rent, always has wholesome food on the table, and when she can get some neighbor on the Sabbath to come in and take care of her family appears in church with hat and clouk that are fur from indicating the roll to which share far from indicating the toll to which she is sab-jected.

enough to fit her for any position. She could stand beside the majority of your salesmen and dispose of more goods. She could go into your wassiwright sapps and beat one-half of your workmen at making carringes. We talk about wo nen as though we had resigned to her all the light work, and ourselves had shouldered the heavier. But the day of julgment, which will razad the sufferings of the stake and inquestion, will marshal before the throne of Gol and the bierarche of heaven the martyrs of wish-

the marries of newen the marry's o. wishtub and needle.

Now, Isny, if there be any preference in
occupation, let woman have it. Gol knows
her trials are the severest. By her neuter
sensitiveness to misfortune, by her hour of
anguish. I deman! that no one he lage up her
with may to a lighting of the manners. pathway to a livelinco i. On the manness, the despleability of men was begraige a woman the right to work anywhere in any honorable calling!

honorable calling!

I go still further and say that women should have equal compensation with men. By what principle of judice is it that women in many of our cities get only two-thirds as much pay as men, and in many cases only half? Here is the gigantic injustice—that work equally well if not better done woman receives, are less compensation than man.

Start with the national government. For a long while wo nen clerks in Washington got \$900 for doing that for which men received

To thousands of youn; wo nen in our cities to lay there is only this alternative—starvation or dishonor. Many of the largest marcantile establishments of our cities are necessary to these abominations, and from their large establishments there are scores of could have nightly off into dark and their souls being pitched off into death, and their employers know it! Is there a God? Will there be a judgment?

I tell you, if God rises up to release wo man's wrongs, many of our large establishments will be swallowed up quicker than a South American earthquake ever took down a city. God will eaten these oppers sors between the womilistones of His wrath and grind them

to powder!

I hear from all this land the wall of warmanhood. Man has nothing to answer to that wall but flatteries. He says she is an angel. She is not. She knows she is not. She is a human being, who gets hungry with she has no food and cold when she has no fire. Give her no more flatteries. Give her instinct.

There are about 50,000 sewing girls in New York and Brooklyn. Across the darkness of this night I hear their death groups. It is not such a cry as comes from those who are suddenly hurled out of life, but a slow, grinding, horrible wasting away. Guther them before you and look into their faces, pinched, ghastly, hunger struck! Look at their flagers, needle pricked and blook tipped! See that premature stoop in the shoulders! Hear that dry, hacking, merciulders! Hear that dry, hacking, mere!

At a large meeting of these women, held At a large meeting of these women, aeri in a hall in Philadelphia, grand speaches were delivered, but a needle-woman took the stand, threw aside her faled shaw, and with her shriveled arm hurled a very thun lerboit of elequence, speaking out the horrors of her own experience.

Stand at the corner of a street in New ways and a street in New ways.

York in the very early moraling as the women go to their work. Many of them had no breakfast except the crambs that were left over from the night before or a crust they chew on their way through the streets. Here they come—the work ing girls of the city! These engaged in beadwork, these in flower making, in millin ery, enameling, eigar making, bookbinding, labeling, feather picking, print colorin paper box making, out, most overworked of all and least compensated, the sawing women. Why do thay not take the city cars women. Why do they not take the city cirs on their way up? They cannot affort the five cents. If, concluding to deny herself something elsa, she gets into the cir, give herseat. You want to see how Latimer and Ridley appeared in the fire. Look at that women and behold a more horrible martyrdem, a hoster fire a wars aganging, death

dom-a hotter firs, a more agonizing de One Sabbath night, in the vestibule of my church, after service a won in fell in con-The doctor said she needed me livulsions. The doctor said sha neaded in all cine not so much as so nathing to eat. At sha bagan to revive, in her delirlum sha said grapingly "Eight cents! Eight cents! Eight cents! Eight cents! I wish I could get it done! I am satired! I wish I could get so no sleap, but I pust get it done! Eight cents! Eight cents! We found afterward that she was mixing gurnents at eight cents apiece, and that sas could make but three of them in a day, Hear it! Three times eight are twenty-four, Hear it, men and women who have comfortable

Some of the worst villains of the city are the employers of these women. They beat

help is there, what panaces, what redemp tion? Eome say, "Give women the ballot." What effect such ballot might have on other questions I am not here to discense, but what would be the effect of female suffrage upon woman's wages. I do not believe that woman will ever get justice by woman

Indeed, women oppress women as much a men do. Do not women, as much as men beat down to the lowest figure the woman who sews for them! Are not women as sharp as men on washerwomen and millin mantia makers? If a woman as's \$1 for her work, does not her female employer as' if she will not take ninety cents? You say, "Only ten cents difference." But that is sometimes the difference between heaven Women often have less commis eration for women often may less confineration for women than men. If a woman steps aside from the path o' virtue, man may for give woman never. Woman will never get justice done her from woman's ballor. get justice vione her from woman's bailor.

Never will she get it from man's bailor.

How, then? God will rise up for her. God has more resources than we know of The flaming sword that hung at Edep's gate when woman was driven out will cleave with

its terrible edge her oppressors. But there is something for our women to do. Let our young people prepare to excell in spheres of work, and they will be able after awaile to get larger wages. If it be shown that a woman can in a store sell more goods in a year than a man, sho will soon by able not only to ask but to demand more wages, and to deman't them successfully, Unskilled and incompetent labor must take what is given. Skilled an I competent labor will eventually make its own stan lar). Admitting that the law o' supply and demand regulates these things. I contend that the deman! for skille! labor is very great an!

the supply very small.

Start with the idea that work is honorable

Gospel, let her thrill with her womanly elo- called to stay as you are you can be happy

called to stay as you are you can be happy and self-supporting.

Poets are fond of talking about man as an oak and woman the vine that climbs it, but I have seen many a tree fail that not only went down itself, but took all the vines with it. I can tell you of something stronger than an oak for an ky to climb on, and that is the throne of the great Jehovah. Single or afflance I, that woman is strong who leans on God and does her best. The needle may break, the factory band may slip, the wages may fail, but over every good woman's heaf there are spread the two great, gentle, supendous wings of the Almighty.

Many of you will go single handed through

Many of you will go single hande I through life, and you will have to choose between two characters. Young woman, I am sure you will turn your back upon the useless, gigging, painted nonentity which society ignominiously acknowledges to be a woman and ask Golto make you a humble, active,

what will become of this golless disciple of fashion? What an insuit to her sex! Her moners are an outrage upon decency. Su-more thoughtful of the attitude she strikes upon the carpet thun how she will look in the judgment, more worked about her freekles than her sins, more interested in her bonnet strings than in her redeamtion. Her appared is the poorest part of a Christian women, however magnificantly dressed, and no one has so much right to dress well as a Christian. Not so with the golless disciple of fushion. Take her robes, and you take everything. Death will come down on her some day, and rub the bistre off her eyelids, and the rough of her cheeks, and with two rough, bony has is scatter spangles and glass beads and rings and ribbons and lage and brookers and drikes upon the carpet than how she will and ribbons and lare and brooms and buckles and sashes and frisettes and golden

clasps.

The dying actress whose life had been victous said: "The scene closes. Draw the curtam." Generally the tragely comes first and the farce afterward, but in her life it was first the farce of a useless life and then

the tragedy of a wratchell eternity.

Compare the life and death of such a one with that of some Christian aunt that was once a blessing to your household. I do not know that she was ever offered a hand in marriage. She lived single, that untrammeled she might be everybody's blessing. meled she might be everybody's blessing. Whenever the sick were to be visited or the poor to be provided with bread, she went with a blessing. She could pray or sing "Rock of Ages" for any sick pauper who asked her. As she got older there were days when she was a little sharp, but for the most part auntie was a sunbeam—just the one for Christmus eve. She knew better than any one else how to fix things. Her every prayer, as God bear if, was full of everybody who had trouble. things. Her every prayer, as God hear, it, was full of everybody who had trouble. The brightest things in all the house dropped from her flagers. She had peculiar notions, but the grandest notion she ever had was to make you happy. She dressed well—auntle always dressed well—auntle always dressed well—auntle always dressed well—auntle ment was that of a meek and quist spirit, which, in the sight of God, is of great price. When she died, you all gathered lovingly about her, and as you careled her out to rest the Sunday-school class almost covered the coffin with imponicas, and the poor people confin with japonicas, and the poor people stool at the end of the alley, with their aprons to their eyes, sobbing bitterly, and the man of the world said soil. the man of the world said, with Solomon, the price was above rubies," and Jesus, as unto the maiden in Julies, commanded, "I say unto thee, arise!"

VIRGINIA AND WEST VIRGINIA

The Latest News Gleaned From Various Parts of the State.

While at the Philadelphia horse show last veek Mr. Henry Fairfax, of Loudoun county, sold two of his horses at private sale-Lord Loudoun to Mr. A. J. Drexel for \$1,500 and Alena to Mr. James Scott for \$500. These two, with five recently sold in New York, make seven head of half-bred backneys sold his spring by Mr. Fairfax at an average of \$998 apiece

Wm, H. Hamlet, a prominent citizen of Campbell county, died aged 80 years. He has been commissioner of revenue for the James River district for twenty years.

W. A. McCool, of Parkersburg, a prominent oil operator, died suddenly of apoplexy on the steamer Barksdale.

J. J. Wilson, Son & Co., commission mer. shants, of Richmond, have made an assign-

ment. Liabilities, \$5,000. The salaries of the city officials in Richmond are to be heavily cut down.

Judge B. A. Hancock has granted a charter to the Citizens' Lund, Building, Loan and Development Company. The principal of flee is to be located at Claremont and the capinal stock is not to exceed \$20,000. Judge Hancock has also granted a charter to the Charles N. Romaine Fireworks Company, The capital stock is not to exceed \$20,000. The factory is to be located in Prince George county, just beyond the corporate limits of

In the Circuit Court before Judge Faulkner at Charlestown the case of Warren Eby against the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company, was concluded with a verdict for \$390. The suit was instituted to recover damages for less of wheat, hay and cloverseed by fire started by sparks from a locomo-

The fact that the Petersburg city council has accepted the proposition of a syndicate represented by Mr. R. B. Davis, of Richmond to purchase the Virginia and Carolina Railthe employers of these women. Tasy beat them down to the last penny and try to cheat them out of that. The woman must deposit \$1 or \$2 before she gets the guments to work on. When the work is don, it is sharply inspected, the most insignificant flaws picked out and the wages refused, and sometimes the \$1 deposited not given back. The Women's Protective Union reports a case where one of these poor souls, that ting a place where she could get more wages, resolved to change capployers and vent to get her pay for work don. The employer says, "I hear you are going to leave me?" "Yes," she said, "Are you not going to leave me?" "Yes," he said, "I will pay you," and he kicked her down stairs.

How are these evils to be eradicated: What have you to answer, you who sell coals and have shoes made and contract for the southern and western markets? What holp is there, what panacea, what redemp ton? Some say "Glve women the ballot." road and then build a line of road from Balof Virginia. There is another charter for

the Richmond and Northern Road, from Richmond to Northumberland, and still another for the Richmond and Rappahannock Valley Railroad, from Richmond to some point on the Bappahennock River or Chesapeake bay.

J. B. Brady, proprietor of the Richmond Turf Exchange, has been arrested and will be prosecuted for violating the Mushback anti-gambling act. One of Brady's men was prosecuted under a similar law a few years ago, but a defeat in the act was discovered and he was acquitted. The city council in the meantime made the license tax on the exchange \$2,500 per year, and when the old license ran out, on May 1 last, Brady closed his establishment in the city, but opened just outside the corporate limits. The Legislature has remedied the defect in the law and Brady will be indicted on the charge of gam-

bling. The Baltimore and Ohio shop men employed on the repair of locomotives at Piedmont are again working eight hours a day, The Young Men's Christian Association of Piedmont will hold a "bush-meeting" at

Firm Rock the first week in July, The Secretary of State chartered the Irvine Company, of Charleston, organized to run water works, with an authorized capitol of \$5,000,000. The Clendennin and Spencer Railroad Company, with an authorized capital of \$200,000 and principal offices at

Two thousand troops have been sent to suppre s the Corean rebellion, and a British fleet is at anchor off Fort Hamilton, prepared

A Day's Happenings as Told by the Wires.

THE WEATHER AND CROPS.

Eighth Anniversary of the Virginia State Fire Association -- Congressman Epes Declines a Renomination--Henry Gets Five Years in Prison.

During the past seven days the temperature has averaged about four to six degrees faily below the normal for theseason. Frosts occurred in many sections of the western half of the State; slight damages resulting therefrom in the Southwest, and in portions of the Valley counties. There has been generally less than the average amount of sunshine. The rainfall was slightly above the normal near the coast, and proved very beneficial * sept retarding the harvesting of clover. In the sections of the State the amount of rainfail was generally about half of the normal for the season, but the rains of the previous week prevented damage, though more rain is needed in portions of the central and southern counties.

The reports show that grass and oats bave improved somewhat, but both crops will be very much below the average, though winter oats may give a fair crop in some of the eastern counties. Wheat is generally short, and is being seriously injured by rust, and in the central portion of Pitisylvania county the Hessian-fly is reported in some fields.

The cool weather has been favorable for the cut-worms and wire-worms, and corn and tobacco have been considerably injured by them, and in Halifax county some farmers are ploughing up and replanting corn. The reports show that the cool weather has killed considerable of the tobacco plants that were recently set out, and that plants are becoming still more scarce, and that the crop is therefore likely to be still further reduced below previous expectations.

Cotton and peanuts are doing fairly well, but need continued warm weather. Potatoes and sweet-potatoes are generally doing well, ome of the fruit that was not previously killed by the freezes is falling off. Grape are reported as doing well in eastern sections but are being injured by rose-worms in portions of the Southwest and Valley counties. Continued warm weather and good rains are needed, but the present outlook is for cooler temperature and only local rains.

Fire Laddles.

Eight years ago the Virginia State Fire Asociation was organized in Portsmouth, and after meeting annually in different parts of the State the association returned to that city to hold its eignth anniversary. All business houses and many private residences were beautifully desorated, and all Portsmouth took great interest in the fice boys. Banners were stretched across several streets and the display of bauting presented a gala appear-

At 2 o'clock the convention assembled at Oxford Hall and was called to order by Captain W. T. Robinson, chief engineer of the Portsmouth Department and president of the esociation, with Secretary George C. Cumming. Ray, John L. Allison was introduced and offered prayer. President Robinson then introduced Hoa, J. Thompson Baird, Mayor of Portsmouth, who delivered an address of welcome to the visiting firemen, after which Col. O. B. Roller, of Harr troduced and responded to the welcome.

After various routing business Secretary Cummings read the list of topics to be discassed and the names of those selected to speak on the same, but not more than half the papers were in. Some ten topics on various subjects relating to firemen and fire departments were submitted and read at length by the Secretary.

Dr. O'Harrell, of Bedford City, addressed the convention on the advantages of lectures on surgical care and treatment in the depart-

A resolution was adopted authorizing the president to appoint a legislative committee whose duty it shall be to make application to the General Assembly to appropriate \$2,500annually for a benevolent fund for disabled

Harrisonburg was selected as the next place of meeting of the association.

J. F. Epes Daclines a Renomination.

Congressman James F. Epes has sent a circular letter to all the papers in the fourth congressional district of Virginia declining to be a candidate for renomination. Congressman Epes in his letter says: "I have long had the purpose and the time seems now to have arrived when it is proper for me to an nounce publicly that I do not desire to be a candidate for Congress next autumn." After expressing his regrets at severing his relations with his colleagues Congressman Epes says: "I cannot point to any services distinguished above my associates, nor have I been able to subserve the interest of my constituents so perfectly as it was in my heart to do. but I think I may safely claim to have made an honorable and thoughtful representative. It seems an opportune time for me to retire from public life when I can do so with a heart entirely full of gratitude for a host of friends and with feelings of resentment toward so few who have been unjust or unkind that they are not worth mentioning or remembering. Please allow me, therefore to bespeak your support for such successor as you can easily find and may think proper to select from your well-equipped ranks."

The Min'mum Punishment. In the Greensville County Court, William Henry Jordan, who was charged with place ing obstructions on the track of the Atlantic-Coast Line in April last, was tried, found guilty, and sentenced to the penitentiary for five years. The accused is only about 15 years of age, and is a colored boy of very little mental capacity. In view of his youth the jury gave the minimum pun shment,

PETER C. WEDELL, while on the witness stand the other day in Kansas City, pulled out of his pocket a piece of his own skull about the size of his hand and exhibited to the jury as evidence in a case against a rail road company for damages for having a standpipe erected too near the rallroad track.

GEN. JOHN HEWSTON WAS committed for trial in London on the charge of manslaughter in having caused the death of George Burton, an itizerant musician, by thrusting the point of an umbrella into his

Four naval officers who have returned to Brazil have been sentenced to ten years' im-prisonment for favoring the late rebellion,

the roadstead off Cape Coast castie, on the west coast of Africa, the passengers were seated under the awning looking at some jewelry that had

been brought on board by the natives and offered for sale. The captain's wife had a very rare ring made of African gold and engraved with the signs of the zodiac. It had been brought to her as an engagement ring by her husband, and was the dearer to her from the fact that he had been wrecked and picked up at sea with it on his Higer. One of the lady passengers who had been looking at the ring and whose attention was attracted by some of the mative jewelry, placed it on the cabin skylight beside her. The next moment on pet monkey jumped on the skylight, seizing the ring and putting it in his mouth, jumped on the main de k and ran forward. Instantly everyone was on his feet chasing the monkey. It ran from one end of the deck to the other, and then climied aloft. Some of the sailors went up and drove it down again. When it reached the rail ng of the bulwarks it paused and looked around. The sailors were fast closing in on it, and without a moment's hesitation it jumped overboard. On rising to the

A Swimming Monkey's Pranks.

Monkeys, as is well known, are like

cats in dread of getting wet, says the

Youth's Companion. On shiptoard I have often laughed to see them

scampering from a heavy spray as it

dashed over the deck or huddling to-

gether under the lee of the long boat

during a passing shower. But on the

ship Euphrates we had a monkey

that was actually fond of swimming. One day while we were anchored in

surface it tried to climb up the vesel's side, but her copper was high out the water, and it could get no hold with its paws. Then it dived, swam under the ship's bottom and came to the surface on the other side. This performance it repeated three or four times. While this was going on the captain's wife remained seated. Tears were in her eyes as she s oke to the sailors. "Never mind," she said, "don't chase the poor monkey any more: it doesn't know any better; it's instincts teach it to steal." She had hardly finished speaking when the monkey came over the quarter of the vessel and with a rush leaped across the deck, jumped into her lap, and putting his little finger into its mouth, drew the

r ng out of the cheek pouch at the side of it jaw and dropped it into her lap. With a cry of joy she placed it on her finger, and, taking the dripping monkey in her arms, she pressed it against her bosom and kissed the little black upturned face.

Well Prepared.

A minister's wi e, who is not so seriously minded at all times as her husband is, tells some laughable stories relating to marriage cere monies which he performed while they were living in a newly settled district in the backwoods of Canada. The minister always felt it to be

his duty to give each young couple a little serious advice before he performed the marriage ceremony, and for his pur, ose he usually took them aside, one at a time, and talked very soberly to each of them regard ng the great importance of the step they were to take, and the new responsibilities they were to assume. One day he talked in his most earnest manner to several m nutes to a young woman who had come to be

married. And now I hope you fully realize the ext eme importance of the step you are tak-

ing, and that you are prepared for it." "Prepared." she said, innocently; well, if I ain't prepared, I don't know who is. I've got four common uilts and two nice ones, and four brand-new feather beds, ten sheets and twelve pairs of pillow slips, four linen table cloths, a dozen spoons, and a good six-quart kettle. If I ain't prepared, no girl in this county

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FATE OF A BLIND RAT.

Caught and Killed. eggs has always been regarded as a wonderful example of animal intelliwill hold the egg firmly between its | wall, against which they were placed four legs, then turn over upon its with a sort of radiance. . . They back and, remaining in this position, gilow itself to be pulled along by they were angelic messengers. other rats until the nest is reached. Remarkable as this may seem, 1 astonishing example of the intelli. heantiful. The white gown that she heard the other day of a still more gence of a rat. Patrick Hurley lives wore was clasped with a cord the in a rural portion of the Twenty- color of the leaves. Her small, well third Ward. Some distan e from his tosed head was set upon her neck home is a large tarn, where besides with the grace of one of the bioshorses and cows, he keeps a number of chickens. About 100 yards from them with an inscrutable expression through a ravine. Naturally the she were of their race and were 1186 in presence of corn and grain about the ening to them speaking for her ear the barn a brook winds its way barn has drawn many rats. They alone. frequently come out in the barnyard for food or to play. Among the rats the room. A waxen petal fell from a the Hurleys had observed one that was a rare specimen of his tribe. Its coat was of a pure white. Strangely, too, the white rat, whenever it appeared, had a companion that was a parently leading it. This

peculiarity caused the people to watch the rodents. They discovered that the white rat always held a straw in its mouth by which the other rat led They concluded the rat was blind. Sometimes, when a particularly good lot of corn was found, the white rat would drop the straw and proceed to sat sfy his hunger. But by an impatient movement he was always able to bring to him one of his kind friends, who would pick up the straw, give it to him, and lead the unfortunate back to the nest under the barn. One of the most remarkable things noted was the fact that every day the blind rat was led out by another down to the brook to get a drink. This was not an occas onal, but a regular, performance. After the blind rat had sat sfled its thirst the straw would be put into its m uth by its companion or attendant and led carefully back . But one day some boys who were not acquainted with the story of the blind rat, saw the two animals coming from the creek and at once made a charge upon them. The leader of the blind rat cudeavored to hurry up its charge, but was finally forced to let go of own life. The white rat, left thus helpless, was caught and killed. The family who had long watched the tenderness and devotion for their sightless companion, learned its sad fate with regret. - Washington Post.

Lost Dignity.

Irish vicerovs are stripped of their sovereign attributes as soon as they reach English waters, which gives point to the following story to'd of Lord Houghton and a lady with whom he was acquainted. They both found themselves on board the Holyhead packet. Puring the voyage from Ireland the lady treated the Viceroy with ceremon ous res ect. So soon, however, as the packet enent of Bethany, Ind., is cutting a new | tered Holyhead harbor sae said to him, "Now, Bobby, you're no longer a viceroy, so take my bag and make yourself useful."-London Truth.

Love Questlons. Three white roses filled the air

Haw His Companious Cared for Him Till | with sweetness - three white roses strong-stemmed, long-and least, with The manner in which rats steal petals of waxen fineness and velvet softness. They swayed in the tall. clear grass that held them. They It is well known how one rat shone against the dull red of the seemed more than mere flowers-

She sat and watched them through a her long lashes-she was like themslender, I the, and strong, cold and soms on its stem. She watched on her face. It was almost as though

A sudden breeze passed through rose. She started sudden'y from her rever'e. She smiled contemptuously as she moved from the chair. "Three white roses!" she mur-

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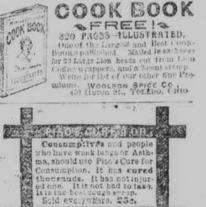
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